GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

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SUPPLY OF CNG TO AUTOMOBILES
AMBATI BRAHMANAIAH

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have directed GAIL not to supply CNG gas to automobiles which do not fulfil certain registration requirements;

(b) if so, the details of order issued by the Ministry to CNG outlets on March 22, 2002 with regard to restrict the sale of CNG to cars and other vehicles in Delhi;

(c) whether the Government are aware that the norms/ requirements for registration of cars and other vehicles now fixed are too difficult and time consuming;

(d) if so, whether the Government have given any thought having a more simpler form of registration and allow the sale of CNG to car and other vehicle owners who are innocent and spent a huge amount in the installation of CNG kits; and

(e) if so, the steps proposed to avoid imposing bureaucrat requirements on obtaining such certificates by vehicle owners?

Answer

Minister of State in the Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas and Minister of State in the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs (SHR SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

(a) & (b) Government of India vide communication dated October 29, 2001 advised Indraprastha Gas Limited to place suitable advertisement in the newspapers that CNG availability being limited, CNG will be supplied only to private vehicles that have been registered originally as CNG vehicles upto the date of issuance of advertisement.

(c) to (e) Registration is the subject matter of the State Government. State Government have been asked time and again by the Ministry of Road Transport & Highway for endorsement on R.C. books of vehicles registered as CNG vehicles.

Those private vehicles which had been registered as CNG vehicles upto the date of issue of advertisement are not being denied supply of CNG.